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4000012	VEMA 27-171	24.737N	32.558W	PISTON	CORE	4693	10.32	LDGO	A124	19824
4000013	CH199-2-6-7	29.51?N	32.527W	PISTON	CORE	4307	7.19		A175	19825
4000014	CHAL-STA8	23.2??N	32.933W	GRAVITY		4941	0.00		A012	19826
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4000019	V27-170G	24.43?N	34.037W	TRIP	CORE	6224	0.61	LDGO	A171	19831
4000020	VEMA 19-306	28.467N	34.117W	PISTON	CORE	5127	6.13	LDGO	N753	19832
4000021	VE17 -163	27.967N	34.133W	PISTON	CORE	5132	13.27	LDGO	B654	19833
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4000025	V22-212G	23.033N	34.483W	TRIP	CORE	6081	0.39	LDGO	A171	19837
4000026	VEMA 27-259	26.768N	34.887W	PISTON	CORE	5596	8.60	LDGO	A124	19838
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4000035	VE17 -164	29.617N	36.917W	PISTON	CORE	4433	5.14	LDGO	B654	19847
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4000049	VEMA 20-240	21.467N	39.650W	PISTON	CORE	5446	11.16	LDGO	B830	19861
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4010002	VEMA 26-23	26.61?N	40.456W	PISTON	CORE	4343	4.62	LDGO	A123	19864
4010003	VEMA 26-24	26.467N	40.435W	PISTON	CORE	4213	4.02	LDGO	A123	19865
4010004	VEMA 22-215	26.633N	40.550W	PISTON	CORE	4071	6.21	LDGO	A108	19866
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PREFACE

This report explains how to code information for input to the SIO Sediment Data Bank. The Sediment Data Bank Users' Handbook, SIO Reference 78-10, describes the data bank and available types of output and includes instructions for data retrieval.

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A. STATION RECORDS

One Station Record is to be coded for each core, dredge or other sample. If seafloor photographs were taken in conjunction with other sampling, they are not coded as separate stations but information from the photographs is entered in Columns 52-53. If seafloor photographs were taken where no other sampling occurred, they are coded as separate stations.

Station Records are identified by the numeral "0" in the first column. The information is coded as follows:

Columns	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
1	0	Card number; identifies Stations record
2-8		Leave blank
9-14 15-21	Latitude Longitude	Latitude and longitude are expressed as degrees, minutes and tenths of minutes, right justified with decimal point omitted, followed by N, S, E or W.
22-23	Sampler Type	Coded as in Table 1. Omit if unknown.
24-28	Bathymetry	Water depth in meters, as reported in the data source (may be corrected or uncorrected). Enter as a right-justified integer.
29	Institution	Data collected from one of the institutions listed below is coded as indicated. For other institutions leave column blank.
		F = Florida State University H = Hawaii Institute of Geophysics L = Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory O = Oregon State University R = Akademiia Nauk, USSR S = Scripps Institution of Oceanography W = Woods Hole Oceanographic Institution
30-41	Station Name and Number	Identifies the station. Enter the cruise or ship name or an appropriate abbreviation and the station number or sample number, starting in Col. 30. May be up to 12 alphanumeric characters.
42-45	Reference	A letter followed by three digits to indicate the source of the information which is being coded. Each reference number is keyed to an item for which an entry has been made in the Bibliography File.

TABLE 1: SAMPLER TYPES

Sampler (Col. 22)	Type (Col. 23)	
C	A B C D E F G H I J L M O P R T V W	Core Heat Probe (pre-1971) Box Camera Dart Triple (pre-1971) Free-fall Gravity Gravity with Heat Flow Thermistors 5-inch Gravity Multiple core, up to 5 gravity corers Phleger Miscellaneous Gravity Oriented Piston Piston Oriented Trip (with piston core) Von Herzen Biological Box
D	A B C M P R T	Dredge or Drag Haul Box Bucket Chainbag Miscellaneous Pipe Rock Trawl
F	D M O S T	Photograph (Camera Station) Deeptow Multiple (more than one frame at same spot) One photo Survey (more than one frame, different spots) Television
G	A B C F K M O P S W	Grab Sampler Sounding Box Catcher (on camera or core) Free-fall Shipek Miscellaneous Orange Peel Petterson Snapper Biological
Н	D S	Deep Sea Drilling Project Hole Drill Core Side Wall Core

46-50	Length of Core	In meters. If decimal point is not entered, it is assumed to be at the right of Col. 50. For example, 140 m is coded as 140 or 140.; 231 cm is coded as 2.31.
51	Manganese Nodule Occurrence	Refers only to nodules collected by the sampler described in Cols. 22-23. If nodules were observed in seafloor photographs associated with the station, the information should be entered in Cols. 52-53, not here. Use the following codes:
		<pre>0 or blank = unknown; no information 1 = nodules absent 2 = nodules present</pre>
52	Manganese Nodule Coverage	Code as follows:
	oover u ge	<pre>0 or blank = no information 1 = no nodules 2 = sparse (<20% coverage) 3 = moderate (estimated 20-50% coverage) 4 = abundance (coverage estimated >50%)</pre>
53	Sampler Type From Which Coverage and/or Concentration Estimate Was Determined	Code as follows: 0 or blank = unknown 1 = box core or box grab 2 = photographs 3 = miscellaneous; other 4 = sonar 5 = television 6 = grab sampler 7 = coverage from photographs, concentration most likely from major sampler (Cols. 22-23)
54-58	Manganese Nodule Concentration	
59	Surface Nodules	Enter a "1" in this column if manganese nodules occurred within 10 cm of the sediment surface.
60	Buried Nodules	Enter a "1" in this column if manganese nodules occurred below 10 cm in the sediment. Both Cols. 59 and 60 may be filled if both buried and surface nodules were observed.
61-62	Surface Lithology	These codes are to give a general indication of the lithology of the surface sediment. They are not intended to constitute a comprehensive system of sediment classification such as described in Section C. If a sample does not fit into a category, do not code. Code as follows:

VA = volcanic ash (includes volcanic mud, volcanic sand)

R0 = rock

MP = manganese pavement

PC = pelagic clay SC = siliceous clay

CC = calcareous clay
S0 = siliceous ooze

CO = calcareous ooze

CS = calcareous-siliceous ooze

CT = calcareous terrigenous material

ST = siliceous mud

See Section C-1 for definitions of these terms.

These columns are not read by the update program; leave blank or use for notes.

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B. MANGANESE NODULE ANALYSES RECORDS

Manganese nodule records are identified by the digit "3" in column 1. Depending on the number of elements analyzed, there may be 3 or 4 cards for a single sample. Each subsequent card will be identified by the digits "4" and "5". Card number 5 may be used repeatedly as many times as necessary.

Card 3 is coded as follows:

Columns	Item	Explanation
. 1	3	Card number
2-4 5-8	Square number Sequence number	Square and sequence numbers are the same as on the Station Record which corresponds to the station from which the manganese sample was taken. Columns 2-3 should be completely filled; use leading zeroes.
9-10	Analysis number	Number analysis from 0-99 sequentially using a new number for each analysis.
11-12	Sample type	Enter the sample type according to the following code: 0 = unknown 1 = Mn nodule or nodules 2 = Mn nodule in sediment 3 = micronodules 4 = micronodules in sediment 5 = nodules and micronodules 6 = Mn-encrusted sediment 7 = Mn-coated rock 8 = crust, pavement 9 = Mn-coated organic material 10 = several crusts
13-27	Sample dimensions	Enter dimensions in millimeters (1 cm = 10 mm, 0.1 cm = 1 mm) as follows: 13-17 largest dimension or diameter 18-22 next largest dimension 23-27 smallest dimension You must right justify the number or include a decimal point in the dimension. If a range is given, enter the largest dimension in columns 13-17 and the smallest dimension in columns 23-27. If dimensions are in microns, you enter a minus sign (-) before the number in cols. 13-17.

28-29 Section analyzed

Enter the description of the section analyze according to the following code:

0 = unknown

1 = whole

2 = half

3 = quarter

4 = fragments or pieces

5 = core or nucleus

6 = without core

7 = cross-section

8 = layer adjacent to core

9 = middle layer

10 = outer layer or outer crust

11 = inner part, without outer layer

12 = topside

13 = underside

14 = bulk composition (representative of total material on seafloor at the location)

15 = average analysis of a number of

nodules

16 = composite 2-5 nodules or micronodules analyzed together

17 = composite 6-12 nodules or micronodules analyzed together

18 = composite more than 12 nodules or micronodules analyzed together

30-31 Analytical method

Enter the method according to the following code:

0 = unknown

1 = wet chemical (colorimetry, volumetry, gravimetry)

2 = x-ray fluorescence spectrometry

3 = x-ray energy spectrometry

4 = electron microprobe

5 = atomic absorption

6 = neutron activation

7 = emission spectrometry

8 = other - see reference (use for combination of methods)

If a single method was used for a majority of the elements analyzed including Mn, Fe, Co, Ni, Cu, then code that method; if not, code as "8".

32-33 Nucleus

If given, enter the description of the nucleus according to the following code:

مر ديره 1 = present but not described or

undetermined

2 = none apparent

3 = tooth

4 = earbone 5 = pumice6 = chert7 = palagonite 8 = clay9 = altered basalt 10 = volcanic11 = nodule fragment 12 = metallic object 13 = sediment, unspecified 14 = rock, unspecified 34-37 Reference A letter followed by three digits to indicate the source of the information being coded. Each reference number is keyed to an item for which an entry has been made in the Bibliography File. Enter the concentrations for the following 38-72 Element concentrations elements in the columns indicated: (weight %) 38-42 Manganese (Mn) 43-47 Iron (Fe) 48-52 Cobalt (Co) 53-57 Nickel (Ni) Copper (Cu) 58-62 63-67 Zinc (Zn) Molybdenum (Mo) 68-72 If the concentration is more than 4 digits, there is an implied decimal point just before the left most column in the field. If you enter a number without a decimal point, it must be left justified. If you enter a number with a decimal point, it

73-80 These columns are to be left blank.

Card 4 is coded as follows:

Column	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
1 .	4	Card number. This card may be omitted if none of the information given below is given in the source.
2-4 5-8 9-10	Square Number Sequence number Analysis number	Same as on Card 3

may be entered anywhere in the field.

11-35	Element (weight	concentration %)

Enter concentrations for the following elements in the columns indicated:

- 11-15 Silicon (Si)
- 16-20 Calcium (Ca)
- 21-25 Titanium (Ti)
- 26-30 Lead (Pb)
- 31-35 Aluminum (Al)

36-40 % weight lost

Weight lost indicates the amount of water lost when drying the sample at 110°C.

41-44 Morphology

Morphology is coded according to a simplified version of the Hawaii Institute of Geophysics classification system. I Enter the primary morphology as a number 1 through 7 right justified or in Col. 42. If a second primary morphology is described enter it in 42 and the first in Col. 41.

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Prima	Primary Morphology		Surface Texture	
<u>Code</u>	Shape	Code	Texture	
1	Spherical	1	Smooth	
2	Ellipsoidal	2	Rough (granular	
3	Discoidal		or micro- botryoidal)	
4	Poly (coaspheroidal)	3	Botryoidal	
5	Biological			
6	Tabular			
7	Faceted			

For example, if you were given a discoidal nodule with a rough to smooth surface, you would enter it as 0321 in the four column field.

45-72 Additional element concentrations (weight %)

On this and the next card, additional elements must be entered in order of increasing atomic number. For each additional element there are 7 columns, enter the atomic number of the element followed by the concentration.

For example, if you were given 1.08% Na, you would enter it as 111.080 in the 7-column field.

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Card 5 is coded as follows:

1	5	Card number
2-4 5-8 9-10	Square number Sequence number Analysis number	Same as on cards 3 and 4.
11-66	Additional element concentrations (weight %)	Enter concentrations in the same way as on Card 4 under Additional element concentrations. Atomic number fields begin in Cols. 11,18,25,32,39,46,53 and 60. If you have more element concentrations than the space provided on these three forms, card 5 may be used repeatedly until all elements are recorded.

DEPTH IN CORE. The depth below the seawater-sediment interface at which the sample analyzed was found is to be entered as a pseudo element concentration on either Card 4 or Card 5. The "atomic number" indicating depth is 93, and the depth in cm is entered as a right-justified integer under "element concentration." For a surface sample the depth is entered as zero (0).

67-80 These columns are to be left blank.

C. SEDIMENT DESCRIPTION RECORDS

1. Notes on Sediment Classification Schemes

More than a century of sediment data collecting is represented in the Sediment Data Bank DESCRIPTIONS File. Schemes of sediment classification have evolved from the first systematic scheme which was proposed by Murray and Renard in 1884. The most recent system in wide use today was proposed in 1973 by an ad hoc group of the JOIDES Advisory Panel on Sedimentary Petrology and Physical Properties.

These changes have presented some difficulties to data bank coders. The Murray and Renard system was "primarily from a geographical point of view although subdivisions were made according to grain size, the preponderance of different groups of organisms and different kinds of inorganic materials, and color and calcium carbonate content." For JOIDES, "Sediment names are... based solely upon parameters determined in smear slides aided by compositional and textural properties apparent to the naked eye or under the hand lens." 3

The various schemes all use the same terms to specify major lithological divisions, although the definitions of these terms sometimes differ. Some schemes subdivide the categories, using different terms to describe somewhat different sediments that would be included in a single category by other schemes.

In order to encompass sediment descriptions prepared by all observers, the data bank has adopted a very general lithological classification system. It is based on the JOIDES system, but we have had to combine some JOIDES categories. Our system divides sediments into ten major lithological categories as listed in the Table, below.

TABLE 2: SEDIMENT DATA BANK LITHOLOGIES

Definition Lithology Undetermined All indurated sediments as well as sediments with grain 1 Rock or Gravel size > 2 mm. Includes shells, coral, or pumice if they are the major constituent, and DSDP's "indurated chalk." Manganese Manganese nodules, crusts or pavement. nodules Terrigenous sediment of which at least 90% of the clasts Sand or silt 3 have grain size of $39 - 2000 \mu m$. Terrigenous sediments of mixed grain size. See Fig. 1, Mud page 22.

5	Calcareous ooze	CaCO ₃ > 30%, < 25% siliceous remains. Calcareous material is biogenous debris from foraminifera, pteropods, or nannofossils. Includes: globigerina ooze, foram ooze, pteropod ooze, foram marl ooze, foram marl, foram chalk, globigerina and foram mud.
6	Siliceous ooze	Pelagic sediments containing > 30% skeletal remains of siliceous organisms (radiolaria, diatoms, silico-flagellates, sponge spicules and echinoid spines).
7	Clay	Pelagic clay, having < 30% CaCO $_3$, < 30% siliceous skeletons, $\geq 10\%$ slow sedimentation indicators (zeolites, Fe and Mn micronodules, fish debris); Terrigenous clay, having < 50% volcanic particles, < 30% CaCO $_3$, $\geq 90\%$ claysized particles, < 10% slow sedimentation indicators.
8	Volcanic ash	Grain size $<$ 4 mm, and 50% or more of the sample is of pyroclastic origin.
9	Siliceous- calcareous ooze	Biogenous sediments in which siliceous and calcareous biogenous material are each > 25% . (Most sediments within this category contain enough CaCO_3 to be considered calcareous ooze, but many researchers find the indication of a large siliceous component useful).
10	Zeolitite	Sediment containing > 50% zeolites.

Our system was designed to facilitate digital coding of sediment descriptions from a variety of sources and to serve the needs of specific research groups. It is not meant to replace schemes in current use for classifying marine sediments. In most cases data included in the DESCRIPTIONS records allow the user to reclassify the sediments according to any system using our Program SEARCH (see SIO Reference No. 78-10). Such reclassification is, of course, impossible if the original source contained only the lithological category with no additional descriptive information.

Several classification systems are summarized below along with the Sediment Data Bank lithological name which corresponds to each major category in the other systems.

The scheme devised by Murray and Renard 2 includes ten major sediment categories as follows:

Term used by Murray & Renard	<u>Definition</u>	Data Bank Classification
Blue mud	Characteristically bluish gray; moderately coherent and granular; made up of land detritus, mainly quartz. Frequently found in deeper water surrounding continents	Mud (may sometimes be classified as calcareous ooze if CaCO ₃ >30%)

Mud or sand (may be Coral mud and Calcareous sediment found near coral reefs and islands, consisting calcareous ooze if Sand organisms have lost largely of neritic and benthic identity from wave action organisms. Usually white. and/or other forces) Characteristically yellowish or Siliceous ooze Diatom ooze cream colored, found in cold waters of the Southern Ocean and along the northern border of the Pacific. Diatom frustules exceptionally abundant (>20%) and $CaCO_3 < 30\%$. Calcareous ooze Structure usually pulverulent -Globigerina ooze granular to coherent, fine-grained and homogenous; $CaCO_3 > 30\%$; abundant remains of foraminifera (15 - 95%).Mud (may sometimes be Resembles blue mud but contains Green mud classified as calcareous glauconite. ooze if $CaCO_3 > 30\%$) Calcareous ooze Pteropod ooze Warm water deposits at moderate depths resembling globigerina ooze but with abundant molluscs, notably pteropods. Radiolarian ooze Deposits found in the central Siliceous ooze Pacific and Indian Ocean which, "While resembling red clays in most respects, differ. . . in containing a much larger number of radiolarian shells. skeletons and spicules, together with sponge spicules and the frustules of diatoms" 2 (more than 30% siliceous organisms). Red clay Color brick red or chocolate Clay brown, or may be gray. Plastic when wet, very coherent when dry; found in the deep ocean far from land; $CaCO_3 < 30\%$. Red mud A variety of blue mud found in Mud (may be classified the Yellow Sea and off the coast as calcareous ooze

of Brazil: similar in mineral composition to other terrigenous deposits near the continents.

if $CaCO_3 > 30\%$)

Volcanic muds and sands

Muds and sands found around volcanic islands which contain large amounts of volcanic material; brownish gray or grayish brown; structure only slightly coherent; $CaCO_3 < 30\%$.

Volcanic ash if 50% of material is of volcanic origin: otherwise, mud or sand

Noting several weaknesses in the above system, in 1944 Revelle 4 proposed a new system of sediment classifications as follows:

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Term used by Revelle	Definition	Data Bank Classification
I. Pelagic Deposits	Sediments of red, brown, yellow or white color which have below a certain amount of allogenic mineral and rock particles > 5 µm and which contain only small amounts of neritic organism remains	
A. Oozes	Skeletal remains of organisms >30% in amount	
Globigerina Pteropod Coccolith Calcareous	CaCO ₃ >30%; skeletal remains of calcareous organisms >30%	Calcareous ooze
Siliceous Globigerina ooze	CaCO ₃ >30%; abundant siliceous remains	Siliceous-calcareous ooze
Siliceous Diatom Radiolarian	CaCO ₃ <30%; skeletal remains of siliceous organism >30%	Siliceous ooze
B. Red Clay	Skeletal remains of organisms <30%	Clay
II. Terrigenous deposits, called muds	Distinguished by a bluish, green, gray or black color, or presence of appreciable neritic organic remains or allogenic minerals	
A. Organic muds	Skeletal remains of organisms >30%	
Calcareous mud and sand	CaCO ₃ >30%; calcareous organisms or neritic type	Calcareous ooze
Globigerina mud	CaCO ₃ >30%; calcareous organisms of pelagic type	Calcareous ooze
Siliceous Diatom mud Radiolarian	CaCO ₃ <30%; remains of siliceous organisms >30%	Siliceous ooze

B. Inorganic muds Skeletal remains of organisms <30%.

Clayey muds

Median diameter < 0.005 mm

Clay or mud,

according to Fig. 1,

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Silty or Sandy muds

Median diameter >0.005 mm

Silt, sand or mud according to Fig. 1,

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 $0 \, \text{laussor}^5$ proposed a classification system which is essentially the same as Revelle's but with the following modifications:

- 1) Calcareous oozes and muds are divided into two categories, marl oozes or muds which contain 30-60% CaCO₃, and chalk oozes or muds which contain >60% CaCO₃.
- 2) If $CaCO_3 > 30\%$ and skeletal remains are >30%, the term foraminiferal (pteropod) marl or chalk ooze or mud is used; if $CaCO_3 > 30\%$ but skeletal remains are <30%, the sediment is still classified as an ooze or an organic mud but the qualifier foraminiferal (pteropod) is omitted.

Until recently most authors and institutional core labs used either the Revelle or the Olausson system, or modifications of them without specifying which scheme they were using. Thus the data bank has had to adopt the most general classification scheme, omitting Olausson's distinction between marl and chalk oozes. For many samples the data bank user can separate the calcareous oozes with >60% CaCO $_3$ content. This parameter is given in percent if it was reported as such, or it is expressed as "high" (>60% for most sources, >50% for data from the USSR) or "moderate" (30-60% for most sources, 30-50% for USSR data). Of course, if the original author used the Revelle classification system or an unspecified system and did not measure CaCO $_3$, it is impossible for our coders to deduce such information.

The JOIDES system is the most recent attempt to construct a general classification system for marine sediments. It has been followed in the Deep Sea Drilling Project reports since 1974 and is used in computer processing of DSDP data⁶. A growing number of authors seem to be adopting the JOIDES system, although it is by no means followed universally. Some DSDP authors continue to use individual variations. This scheme is as follows:

Term Used by DSDP

Definition

Data Bank Classification

Igneous or metamorphic rock

Rock or gravel .

Pelagic Sediments		
Pelagic clay	<30% CaCO ₃ , <30% siliceous skeletons; slow sedimentation indicators (zeolites, Fe and Mn micronodules, fish bones, etc.) >10%.	Clay
Zeolite clay	Zeolites are dominant constituent	Zeolitite
Siliceous Radiolarian Diatomaceous	Soft; $>30\%$ siliceous skeletons $<30\%$ CaCO $_3$, $<30\%$ silt and clay	Siliceous ooze
Radiolarite Diatomite Chert Porcelanite	Same as siliceous ooze but . hard	Rock or gravel
Calcareous ooze	Soft; >30% $CaCO_3$, <30% silt and clay	Calcareous ooze
Chalk Indurated chalk Limestone	Same as calcareous ooze but firm or hard	Rock or gravel
Transitional sediment	cs	
Muddy diatom ooze	Soft; >50% diatoms; >30% silt and clay; <30% $CaCO_3$.	Siliceous ooze
Muddy diatomite	Same as above but hard	Rock and gravel
Diatomaceous } mud Siliceous	Soft; 10-50% diatoms; $>30\%$ silt and clay; $<30\%$ CaCO $_3$.	Siliceous ooze if diatoms >30%; otherwise, mud
Marly calcareous ooze	Soft, $>30\%$ CaCO $_3$, $>30\%$ silt and clay.	Calcareous ooze
Marly chalk Marly limestone	Same as above but hard	Rock and gravel
Terrigenous and volcanic detrital sediments		

Clay
Mud
Silt
Sand

Soft; <80% volcanic particles; Clay, mud or sand classed continuous continuous

Claystone Mudstone Shale Siltstone Sandstone	Same as above but hard	Rock or gravel
Volcanic Ash	Soft; >80% volcanic particles; grain size <4 mm.	Volcanic ash
Tuff	Same as above, but hard	Rock or gravel

Like most other classification schemes, this one allows for the inclusion of various qualifiers to indicate secondary and minor sediment constituents. These are coded as described in Section C-1.

The core curators of the various oceanographic institutions may or may not classify their sediment samples according to one of the systems described above. Further, the system used by any institution may vary over the years, or among different core describers. Recent reports from Scripps Institution of Oceanography describing cores collected on some recent cruises use an adaptation of the JOIDES system, for example, whereas visual shipboard descriptions seem to follow the Revelle scheme.

Lamont-Doherty Geological Observatory uses a unique system in which the major division is based on the percentage of the sample contained in the coarse fraction (>62 microns). This system was described by Ansis Kaneps in an unpublished report⁷ and is as follows:

Term used by LDGO	<u>Definition</u>	Data Bank Classification
Coarse fraction <5%:		
Chalk	<pre>>67% calcareous nannofossils; remainder is clay and silt</pre>	Calcareous ooze
Marl	33-67% calcareous nannofossils; remainder is clay and silt	Calcareous ooze
Clay	<33% calcareous nannofossils; >67% clay and silt	Clay
Coarse fraction 5-30%:		
Foraminiferal chalk	5-30% foraminifera; remainder is chalk	Calcareous boze
Foraminiferal marl	5-30% foraminifera; remainder is marl	Calcareous ooze
Foraminiferal clay	5-30% foraminifera; remainder is clay and silt	Clay

	Radiolarian (diatom) chalk	5-30% siliceous microfossils; remainder is chalk	Calcareous ooze or siliceous-calcareous ooze depending on detailed description
	Radiolarian (diatom) marl	5-30% siliceous microfossils, remainder is clay and silt	Clay
C	Coarse fraction 30-8	0%:	
-	Foraminiferal (pteropod) chalk ooze	30-80% coarse calcareous micro- fossils; remainder is chalk	Calcareous ooze
	Foraminiferal (pteropod) marl ooze	30-80% coarse calcareous microfossils; remainder is marl	Calcareous ooze
	Foraminiferal (pteropod) clay ooze	30-80% calcareous microfossils; remainder is clay and silt	Calcareous ooze
	Radiolarian (diatom) chalk ooze	30-80% coarse siliceous microfossils; remainder is chalk	Siliceous or siliceous-calcareous ooze depending on detailed description
	Radiolarian (diatom) marl ooze	30-80% coarse siliceous microfossils; remainder is marl	Siliceous or siliceous-calcareous ooze
	Radiolarian (diatom) clay ooze	30-80% coarse siliceous micro- fossils; remainder is clay and silt	Siliceous ooze
Сс	parse fraction >80%:		
	Foraminiferal (pteropod) ooze	>80% coarse microfossils, pre- dominantly foraminifera or pteropods	Calcareous ooze
	Radiolarian (diatom) ooze	>80% coarse microfossils, predominantly radiolaria or diatoms	Siliceous ooze

The Kaneps report does not mention the classification of terrigenous sediments, but Lamont-Doherty uses the usual terms sand, silt and mud; we presume they have the same meaning here as in other systems.

2. Coding Instructions

A description record is coded for each grab or dredge sample or for each layer of a core. As many layers may be described as are in the core. Since most data sources do not give complete sediment descriptions, some items will be blank.

Description Records can occupy two cards (identified by the digits "l" or "2" in Column 1). Either card or both may be used to code the description, depending upon what information is available.

Card No. 1 is coded as follows:

Columns	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
1	1 .	Card number
2 - 4 5 - 8	Square Number Sequence Number	Square and sequence numbers are those which have been assigned to the Station Record which corresponds to the station at which the sediment sample was collected.
9-10	Layer Number	The topmost layer (which may include the entire sample) is Layer 00. Going downward in the core, layers are numbered successively 01, 02, etc. If more than 99 layers are coded, begin numbering again from 01 (e.g., 98, 99, 01, 02, etc.).
12	Foraminifera	Includes skeletal remains of Globigerina.
13	Pteropods	
14	Calcareous Nannofossils	Includes coccoliths, discoasters
15	Diatoms	
16	Radiolaria	

The amounts of the above microfossils (Cols. 12-16) are specified by the code shown below. It should be noted that most analyses have been determined by smear slide observations. Data that has been produced through chemical analyses may show a lower concentration than that arrived at by a visual core description. Allowance for this distinction has been made in the coding instructions.

O or blank = no information

1 = probably absent. This classification can imply two different situations: a) the observer recorded the microfossil as "absent" or
b) the microfossil was not specified as absent, but additional
information found by the coder implied that the microfossils were
absent, although this was not explicitly stated.

- 2 = definitely present. This code is used only for incomplete descriptions in which the actual quantity of microfossils is either not supplied or cannot be understood.
- 3 = rare or trace amounts, probably <10%. Includes such categories as "few " (usually 5-15%) and "negligible" and DSDP categories "trace" (<2%) and "bearing" (2-10%).
- 4 = low, probably 10-30%. Usually the abundances of the constituents have been estimated and listed in the description. Includes samples described as "Foraminiferal" or "Radiolarian" clay.

DSDP core describers may add the prefix "rich" to the sediment name if constituents are present in amounts of 10-25%. Although DSDP descriptions always list the estimated percentages or abundance, the coder may encounter descriptions from other sources where the sediment was described as, for example, a foram-rich clay, which would be included in this category. At SIO a sediment name is prefixed by the term "bearing" for a comparable range of 5-25% (personal communication, Carolyn Glockhoff).

For DSDP and SIO, major constituents present in quantities greater than 25% provide the sediment name. Constituents are listed in order of increasing abundance from left to right. The coder can use the number of sediment names to estimate abundances. For example, a sample may have the assigned lithology "Foram, clayey, nanno ooze." The first item of three is probably less abundant than 30%; thus Forams would be in the 10-30% range. The second constituent would be likely to fall in the 30-50% range, but probably toward the lower boundary of this category. The nannofossils could also be assumed to be present in the 30-50% range, though being present in the greatest abundance they could be assumed to be in the higher end of the range.

Occasionally specimen abundances are given in terms of individuals per gram of sediment. In order to determine the percentage equivalent one must have specific knowledge of both the specimens and the region. An example would be diatoms in the Bering Sea, where 100,000 to 200,000 diatoms per gram sediment would constitute between 10 and 30%, but this cannot necessarily be applied to other regions because of variance in specimen size (personal communication, Edith Vincent, SIO).

- 5 = moderate, probably 30-60%. This category would include those samples described as foraminiferal or pteropod marl ooze in the Olausson or Kaneps classification systems. SIO observers require that more than 50% of the sediment consist of biogenous remains before the sediment is called an "ooze" (personal communication, Carolyn Glockoff). A "biogenous ooze" may be dominated by one skeletal type, or it may be a composite. In the latter case, the abundance of any one organism is likely to be in the low or moderate range.
- 6 = probably >30% and possibly >60%. This category is used when the sample is classified as "ooze" according to a system where ooze is defined as a sediment containing >30% microfossils and no further information is available.

7 = dominant, >50%. Oozes modified by the name of only one microfossil type are usually assigned to this category.

Other skeletal or plant debris present is to be indicated by entering the numeral "l" in the appropriate column:

Column	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
17	Sponge spicules or echinoid spines	
18	Macrofauna Shells	Includes shell fragments as well as pelecypods, gastropods, brachiopods, balanus, ostracods, scaphopods and ostrea.
19	Other Animal Debris	Fish scales or teeth, Bryozoa, tunicates, polychaetes, ophiuroidea, stylaster.
20	Plant Debris	Includes algae
21-22	CaCO ₃ Content	Enter the percentage as an integer, or if given qualitatively use L (low), M (moderate) or H (high) in Col. 22. If $CaCO_3$ is less than 0.5%, code as 0 (zero).
		CaCO ₃ content analyzed at intervals down a core is entered as follows: If only a few analyses are available for the core and there is no indication that the analyses represent a larger interval, delimit one-cm layers where the analyses were done. If the CaCO ₃ was measured at regular intervals, assume that the level in the core for which there is an analysis represents the midpoint of an interval; for example, if the core is sampled at 0, 10 and 20 cm, the layers encoded would be 0-5, 5-15, and 15-25 cm.
		Adjacent CaCO ₃ values which are within about 10% of each other can be averaged. If the carbonate value reported determines a layer to be in a different lithological class from the adjacent layers, then code separately.
		If a sample is described as "marl" and ${\rm CaCO_3}$ is not measured, enter "M" for moderate.
23	Organic Carbon	Code as follows:
		<pre>0 or blank = not specified 1 = <0.5% 2 = 0.5-1.5% 3 = >1.5%</pre>
24	Disturbance	If the layer had a flow-in, was stretched, contaminated or disturbed in any other way, enter a "l" in this column.

25 Consolidation

Code as follows:

0 or blank = soft or not specified, unconsolidated

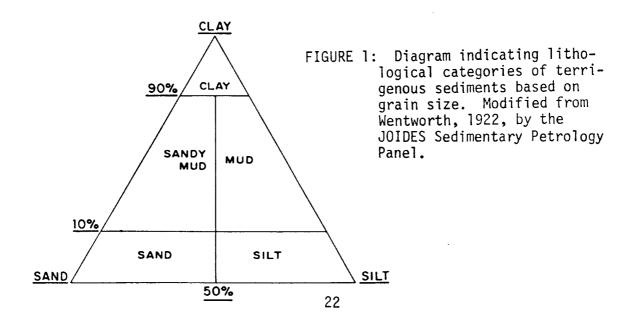
1 = soupy, semi-liquid
2 = firm, stiff, or partially indurated
3 = hard, indurated

The presence of minerals and other features in the sample is indicated by the numeral "l" and their absence by a blank or "0" in the appropriate column:

26	Turbidite	
27	Bedded	Laminated, stratified, varved, evidence of cross-bedding
28	Graded	
29	Worm Burrows	
30	Mottling	Cannot be specifically identified as burrows
31	Volcanic Ash Layer	Ash layer within the layer of core being described
32	Dispersed Volcanic Ash	Accumulations of glass shards constitute volcanic ash.
33	H ₂ S	Hydrogen sulfide gas
34	Manganese Pavement or Crusts	
35	Manganese Nodules	Includes samples described as concretions
36	Manganese Micronodules	Generally silt or sand-sized. Do not place a "l" in this column if the description reports merely "manganese test positive."
37	Quartz	
38	Feldspar	Includes plagioclase and orthoclase
39	Pyroxene	Includes hypersthene and augite
40	Chlorite	
41	Mica	Includes muscovite and biotite. Mica is usually a terrigenous sediment component; however, muscovite can be authigenic.
42	Glass	
43 _	Palagonite	
44	Glauconite	A component of "green mud" or "green sand." It is an indicator of very slow sedimentation.

45	Barite	
46	Phillipsite	When SIO visual core descriptions indicate the presence of zeolites, phillipsite is being described.
47	Other Zeolites	Includes harmotome, clinoptilolite, etc.
48	Pyrite	
49	Other Sulfides	Includes marcasite and hydrotroilite
50	Other Dark Minerals	FeMg minerals, amphiboles (hornblende), olivine
51	Transfer?	If coded from original source, leave blank; if recoded from the old system, place a "l" in this column.
53-54	Lithology	Indicate the dominant lithology of the sample according to the codes shown below. In most cases, the lithology is that specified in the original source. However, the coder should read the full description in the source and see Table 2 before assigning the lithology.

- 0 = undetermined. Used for dredge samples in which no sediment was collected and for badly disturbed samples.
- 1 = rock or gravel
- 2 = manganese nodules or pavement. This is used only if the layer consists primarily of nodules or pavement.
- 3 = sand or silt. Must be ≥90% sand and/or silt (see Fig. 1). Samples described as "pteropod sand" or "foram silt" are coded as calcareous ooze. Card 2 of their coded descriptions should include indication of grain size and relevant adjectives.



- 4 = mud. See classification schemes in Section C-1 for various definitions of this term. It is always a terrigenous sediment, generally of mixed grain size. Data bank coders should follow DSDP definition (Fig. 1) if possible.
- 5 = calcareous ooze
- 6 = siliceous ooze
- 7 = clay. May be pelagic or terrigenous. Pelagic clay is fine-grained with indicators of slow sedimentation $\ge 10\%$, <20% terrigenous detrital material in the coarse fraction or <30% in the total sample, CaCO₃ or siliceous microfossils <30%; includes sediments described as lutite. Terrigenous clay is a terrigenous sediment with $\ge 90\%$ clay-sized fraction.
- 8 = volcanic ash

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- 9 = siliceous-calcareous ooze. Includes samples with >30% ${\rm CaCO_3}$ and "appreciable" amounts of radiolaria or diatoms.
- 10 = zeolitite

Part 2 of the Description Record is identified by the numeral "2" in Column 1 and is coded as follows:

<u>Columns</u>	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
1	2	Card number; identifies second part of Description Record
2-10	Square Number } Sequence Number } Layer Number	Same as for Card 1
11-16	Top of Layer	The depth below the sediment-water interface, in centimeters, at which the layer being described begins. The top layer may or may not begin at zero.
17-21	Layer Length	The depth of the top of the layer, in centimeters, subtracted from the depth of the bottom of the layer
22 - 24 25 - 27	Predominant Color Secondary Color }	Colors are expressed by a 3-character code condensed from the Munsell system. The first character of each color code represents the

The second character of each color code represents the <u>value</u>:

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W = whitish, very light, very pale (9/ or 8/
    in Munsell code)
L = light (6/ or 7/)
M = moderate or unspecified (4/ or 5/)
D = dark (2/ or 3/)
B = black or very dark (1/ or 0/)
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The third character indicates the saturation:

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0 = little or no gray or saturation unspeci-
fied (/4 or greater in Munsell code)
1 = grayish (/2 or /3)
2 = mostly or entirely gray (/1 or N)
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When the color is not given in the source according to the Munsell code, it can still be expressed by the method described above. If hue alone is given, value should be expressed as "moderate" and the saturation as zero. Various shades can be expressed as follows (where X = color):

XWO = very light X	XDO = dark X
XW1 = very pale X	XD 1 = d usky X
XW2 = X-ish white	XD2 = dark X-ish gray
XLO = light X	XBO = very dark X
XLl = pale X	XBl = very dusky X
XL2 = light x-ish gray	XB2 = X-ish black

Some frequently used color names may seem difficult to translate into a code. For example, "cream colored" could be yellowish white (YW2) or very light tan (TWO), whereas beige could be light tannish gray (TL2) or pale tan (TL1). Either coding would be acceptable. Fine distinctions are unimportant, as the code is merely a scheme to accommodate general perceptions of color.

The remainder of Card 2 records information about the grain size of the layer and information about the sediment or rock types. It is coded as follows:

Column	<u>Item</u>	Explanation
28	Amount of Rock	Blank = not present or not reported M = present in minor or trace amounts, <10%
29	Amount of Gravel, Pebbles	S = secondary constituent, 10-50% D = dominant or only constituent, >50%
30-32 33-35 36-38 39-41	Modifiers for Rock or Pebbles	Rock and pebbles are considered together, and may have as many as four modifiers taken from Table 3. The most important modifier goes in Cols. 30-32, the next most important in Cols. 33-35, etc.

TABLE 3: MODIFIERS FOR ROCK AND PEBBLES

	<u> </u>
Code	Modifier
IGN BAS GAB PUM BRE VOL TUF AND GRA PER	Igneous, unspecified Basalt, pillow basalt, basalt glass Gabbro, diabase Pumice Breccia, volcanic Volcanic, unspecified Tuff Andesite Granite Periodotite
MET GRE SER	Schist, or unspecified metamorphic Greenstone Serpentine
SED SAN MUD CON LIM CHA CHE EVA	Sedimentary, unspecified Sandstone, graywacke Mudstone, siltstone, claystone, shale Conglomerate Limestone Chalk Chert, porcelanite Evaporite gypsum, salt
MNN MNP MNC COR PHO ZEO GLA SHE ALT FER SIL	Mn nodules Mn pavement or crust Mn-coated Coral Phosphorite nodules Zeolite nodules Glacial transport material Macrofauna shells Altered Ferruginous Siliceous

42-43 44-45	Amount of Sand } Amount of Silt }	These are size fractions and do not imply terrigenous origin. Code same as Amount of Rock, right justified, or express as a percentage. In general, do not code "trace," "negligible" or "<2%" amounts.
46-48 49-51	Modifiers for Sand and Silt	Up to two modifiers from Table 4 may be used.

TABLE 4: MODIFIERS FOR CLAY, SAND AND SILT

Modifier
Fine
Coarse
Pelagic
Terrigenous
Calcareous
Siliceous
Shell
Coral
Volcanic
Ferruginous
Zeolitic

52-53	Amount of Clay	Code same as Amount of Sand or Silt
54-56 57-59 }	Modifiers for Clay	Up to two modifiers from Table 4 may be used.
60-80		These columns are to be left blank or used for notes.

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Dear Dr. Grant:

Re: OCE 75-16025 A02

Title: "Compilation of Geochemical and Petrological Data for Seafloor Material in the Southeast Asia Area"

In accordance with the requirements as stated in "Guidelines for Submission and Dissemination of Environmental Data Collected on International Decade of Ocean Exploration Programs (revised June, 1975)", I am sending you separately by air parcel post a magnetic tape containing data compiled by us during our IDOE project.

The tape is 9-track, 800 BPI, odd-parity, unlabeled. It is blocked, units = characters, maxrecsize = 132, blocksize = 3960. There are 3 files on the tape.

File 1: Stations from the Sediment Data Bank for the SEATAR area. There are 9099 records in this file (includes lines, spaces and headings).

File 2: Sediment Descriptions for the SEATAR area stations. There are 61438 records in this file, including lines, spaces and headings.

File 3: Bibliography for the above files. There are 655 records in this file, including lines, etc.

Stations are identified in the listings by a 7-digit number starting in the first column. The first 3 digits refer to the station's 10-degree square. The last 4 digits comprise the station's sequence number in that square (assigned in order of acquisition). Sediment descriptions are matched with their stations by finding the 7-digit number common to both.

The tape I am sending you will supersede the two unblocked tapes we sent you on May 3, 1976.

Very sincerely,

Donne J. Hawkin

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